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(54) CONTENT BILLING SYSTEM, CONTENT BILLING METHOD, CONTENT PRODUCTION METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To achieve a billing system concerning content provision that can reduce the burdens in terms of facility, economy and human resources when using content.

SOLUTION: The system has a use request reception means that receives a content use request from a person who desires to use content and a content transmission request means that provides instructions for transmitting to the person who desires to use content. Moreover, the system has: a contract database that accumulates the content of a contract concerning content use pattern for every person who desires to use content and for every content; a contractual coverage determination means that gets access to the contract database to determine whether or not content concerned with the content use request is a billing target; a billing means that bills the person who desires to use content if the contractual coverage determination means determines that the content is an billing target; and a billing database that accumulates billing data concerning billing data obtained by the billing means.

